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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Hovanessian)
Serial No.: 09/393,302)
Filed: September 10, 1999)
For: A Novel Cell Surface Receptor)
For HIV Retroviruses,)
Therapeutic and Diagnostic)
Uses)

Group Art Unit: 1645

Examiner: Zeman, R.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This paper responds to the Restriction Requirement issued on December 5, 2000. The time to respond to this action has been extended by the concurrent filing of a three-month extension of time.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 4-9, 14, 16-18, and 23 as follows:

4. (Amended) The inhibitor molecule of claim 2 which consists in a peptide or pseudopeptide which is homologous containing one or several amino acid additions, deletions and/or substitutions in the amino acid sequence of the inhibitor molecules according to claim 3.

5. (Amended) The inhibitor molecule according to anyone of claims 1 to 4 in which the -CONH- peptide bond is modified and replaced by a (CH₂NH) reduced bond,

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